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PHUKET

Tourist Information

INTRODUCTION

PHUKET is located in the tropical zone of the west coast of southern Thailand in the Andaman Sea and connected to the mainland by Sarasin Bridge. Phuket, about the same size as Singapore, is the largest island of Thailand. This island, 50 kms long and 21 kms. at its widest point, has an area of about 570 sq. kms. including 39 small nearby islets. About 77% of the area is mountainous mostly in the south.

Phuket is divided into 3 administrative units call "Amphoe" (district) : Amphoe Muang, Amphoe Thalang and Aumphoe Kathu. About 65% of the total population are Buddhist, 27% Muslim, 5% Christian and 3% other faiths.

Before 1782 A.D., Phuket was known among ancient voyagers under various names : Jan Slan, Ujong Sylang, etc. Later on it was referred to as "Junk Ceylon" which is believed to be a corrupt form of the Malay word "Ujang Salang" The word "Ujang" means peninsula and the word "Salang" is thought to be the name of people inhabiting this area at that time. As for the word "Phuket" is believed to derive from the Malay word "Buket" meaning mountain.

Phuket was once well known in its colorful history because of its riches such as tin, natural pearls, edible birds' nest, ambergris ivory, rhinoceros horns and rubber. It was one of the main trade routes between India and China. The Portuguese, French, Dutch and English traded with Phuket while other visitors were less friendly.

Phuket now is blessed with its magnificent coves and bays and powdery, palm-fringed beaches. Sparkling island dotted with splendid beaches, sincerely hospitable people, comfortable accommodation, superb seafood, lushly forested mountains, lovely cascades and parks and delightful turn-of-the century Indo-Portuguese and Chinese influenced architecture create an enchantment perfectly suited to total relaxation.

CLIMATE

There are two seasons. The Rains Season from May through October, and the Hot Season from November through April. There are many sunny days throughout the Rains Season for showers customarily last little more than 2 or 3 hours. September is the wettest month. The best months are November through February. Year-round average temperatures range between 21°C and 34°C.

ATTRACTIONS

Phuket Town

One of the major charms of Phuket town are the ancient Sino-Portuguese style buildings scattered along Thalang Road, Deebuk Road, Yaowarat Road and Phang-nga Road. "Government House", one of the oldest public buildings, was once used as a setting in the well known movie "The Killing Fields"

Rang Hill, a low hill located to the north of Phuket town, offers a pleasant view of Phuket town and hillside sculptural tableaux comprise a Fitness Park.

Saphan Hin is where the monument built in 1969 commemorates the first metal ore-dredger used in Thailand and Captain Edward Thomas Mile, the Australian.

Phuket Butterfly Garden and Aquarium offer a number of perfect environments: the lovely butterfly garden, the underwater world of corals, etc. This is not just an exhibition for public display and education. It is also a serious academic research and study facility.

The Native Handicraft Center on Thepkrasattri Road present artisans weaving silk, manufacturing lacquerware, silverware, nielloware, jewellery, parasols, wickerwork, artificial flowers, Thai dolls, etc., and also exports products.

Island Attractions

Major beaches, temples, small islets and botanical gardens are as follows:

The pine-lined Mai Khao Beach (40 kms. from town) is the longest beach. Each year, from November through February, gigantic sea turtles struggle ashore to lay their eggs there.

Nai Yang National Park fringed by casuarina trees is an ideal place for picnics, swimming and snorkelling.

Surin Beach is the best place for the golden sunset of Phuket but not swimming due to powerful surf, treacherous undertow and steep beach slope.

Singh Cape with sets of beautiful rock formation is only 1 km. from Surin Beach. It is recommended for holiday-makers who look for a tranquil surrounding with sun, sand and sea.

Patong Beach (15 kms. from town) is by far Phuket's most developed beach and widely known among Thais and foreigners. Patong is one of the best places because of its natural beauty of white sandy beach, clear turquoise sea, fantastic underwater life and soft breezes and the availability of a wide range of man-made facilities. Here vacationers have big choice of accommodation from luxury hotels to palm cottages, a wide range of restaurants and shops, numerous places of night entertainment and all kinds of aquasport equipment.

Karon and Kata Beach (20 and 17 kms. respectively from town) are the next major beaches. Both are impressively long, largely peaceful and eminently suitable for swimming, snorkelling, sailing, windsurfing and sunbathing.

Nai Harn Beach (18 kms. from town), is the place for those who love peace and quiet, and fronts a shallow lagoon between stony headlands. Swimming, windsurfing, sailing and sunbathing are advisable here but not during the monsoon season.

Phromthep Cape marks the southernmost point of Phuket. It is the perfect place from which to view spectacular sunsets.

Rawai Beach (17 kms. from town) hosts Phuket's best known "Sea Gypsy Village". The sea-people who earn their living from diving for oyster shells, tin ore, lobsters, etc. are believed to be of Melanesian descent. Also several restaurants providing different delicious cuisines can be found in this area.

The Monument of Thao Thepkasattri and Thao Srisulthorn was built to commemorate these two heroines who saved Thalang from Burmese invaders in 1785.

Ton Sai Forest Park, a sonorous cascade in the area of Khao Phra Thaes Wildlife Park, one of the last remaining jungles in Phuket, teem with various mammals including bears, procupines, gibbons, macaques, reptiles, lizards and over 100 bird species.

Bang Pae is located in the central part of the island. The falls spill about 40 feet into a charming swimming area.

Chalong Temple enshrines the gilt statues of two revered monks : Luang Poh Cham and Luang Poh Chuang.

Phra Thong Temple is famous for a half-buried Buddha unearthed by a farmer mourning his son who died at the site.

Phra Nang Sang Temple is located in Thalang. This old monastery houses three 1,000-year-old bronze Buddha images concealed in the middle of 3 other bigger ones.

Phuket Aquarium, in the area of Cape Panwa, is open to public everyday.

Thalang Museum has an interesting collection of Phuket relics.

Small islets around Phuket such as **Coral Island**, **Dokmai Island**, **Lone Island**, **Kaeo Phitsadan Island**, etc. offer excellent snorkelling and scuba diving. Also **Naka Island** with unspoilt natural beauty and a pearl farm.

SPORTS

Apart from jogging, tennis at major hotels and golf at Surin Beach, Phuket's major sporting opportunities are found at major beaches. They include:

Windsurfing is available at all major beaches. Boards may be rented by the hour, half-day, full day or week. Tuition from expert Thai teachers is free.

Sailing is available largely at Patong and Kata beaches. Toppers and dingies are available at Patong. Catamaran Hobie Cats and Top Cats are available at Kata.

Water Skiing is available at Patong on a half-hour or hourly basis.

Deep Sea Fishing tours are available on a daily basis, making early morning departures and late afternoon returns, mostly to lesser islands to fish for red snappers, rainbow runners and other game fish.

Swimming can be enjoyed all the year round and is mostly safe. Undertows can be problematic during the Rains Season. It is best to seek the advice of local people regarding swimming conditions.

Snorkelling can be enjoyed in sheltered bays all around Phuket, and is particularly enjoyable at easily accessible reefs at Patong, Karon and Kata beaches. Fins, mask and snorkel can be rented on a daily basis from shops all over the island.

Scuba diving expeditions regularly leave Phuket for dives around offshore islands, and further afield, most particularly around the enduringly popular Phi Phi islands, some 3 hours east of Phuket, and the Similan islands, some 110 kilometres northwest of Phuket. Several dive shops concentrated in the Patong area have expatriate and English-speaking dive instructors who offer inexpensive beginners's courses. All diving equipment is available for hire.

Diving Companies

Fantasea Divers

Patong Beach, P.O. Box 20, Phuket
Tel. (076) 321309 Fax: (076) 321309
Telex: 69513 SHPSERV TH

Marina Cottage (Int'l Diving School)

Marina Cottage, Kata-Karon Beach, Phuket

Tel. (076) 381625 Fax: (076) 321309

Siam Diving Center

121/9 Patak Rd., Kata-Karn Beach, Phuket

Tel. (076) 381608 Fax: (076) 381414

Telex: 65542 SIMILAN TH

Holiday Diving Club

Patong Beach, P.O. Box 26-27, Phuket

Tel. (076) 212901-4 Ext. 029 Fax: (076) 321330

Telex: 65509 BANTHAI TH

Santana

Patong Beach, P.O. Box 79, Phuket

Tel. (076) 321360 Fax: (076) 321350

Telex: 69552 PATPEN TH

Kata Beach

Tel. (076) 381595

Phuket Divers

31/1 Phoonpol Rd., Muang District, Phuket

Tel: (076) 215738, 214649 Telex: 65543 PKDIVER TH

Phuket Aquatic Safari

62/9 Rasada Rd., Muang District, Phuket

Tel. (076) 216562 Fax: (076) 214537

Telex: 65533 TAFCO TH

Phuket Int'l Diving Center

Coral Beach Hotel, Patong Beach, Phuket

Tel. (076) 321106-13 Ext. 486 Fax: (076) 321114

Telex: 69527 CORALSL TH

Le Meridien, Karon Noi Beach, Phuket

Tel. (076) 321480-5 Ext. 1621, 1622 Fax: (076) 321479

Telex: 69542 MERIHKT TH or 69543 RELAX TH

Ocean Divers

Patong Beach Hotel, Patong Beach,

Phuket or P.O. Box 25, Phuket

Tel. (076) 321166 Fax: (076) 321166

Telex: 69521 OCEANDIVE TH

Poseidon Nemrod

Phuket Island Resort, Vised Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 381010-7 Fax: (076) 381018

Telex: 69555 ISLAND TH

Reef Explorers

P.O. Box 230, Muang District, Phuket

Tel. (076) 381325 Fax: (076) 381957

Phuket Sea Canoe Center

P.O. Box 276 Phuket

Tel. (076) 391237 Fax: (076) 213934

The Travel Company

89/71 Thaweewong Rd., Patong Beach, Phuket

Tel. (076) 321292 Fax: (076) 321292

Telex: 65542 SIMILAN TH

Numchai Ocean Transport

145 Phang Nga Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 211686, 212984, 212597 Fax: (076) 211686

FISHING**Phuket Big Game Fishing**

Patong Beach, Phuket Tel. 01 7230571

Phuket Tourist Center

125/7 Phang Nga Rd., Muang District, Phuket

Tel. (076) 211849 Fax: (076) 212814

Asia Voyages

64/1 Rasada Center, Phuket Tel. (076) 21613

Fax: (076) 214668 Telex: 69549 ASIAHKT TH

Sun And Sand Tour

Pearl Hotel, Phuket

Tel. (076) 211044 Ext. 429

The Travel Company

89/71 Thaweewong Rd., Patong Beach, Phuket

Tel. (076) 321292 Fax: (076) 321292

Telex: 65542 SIMILAN TH

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Reef Explorers

P.O. Box 230, Muang District, Phuket

Tel. (076) 341325 Fax: (076) 381957

Thai Yachting Co., Ltd.

B 1-2 Patong View Plaza, Patong Beach Hotel, Phuket

Tel. (076) 321301-2

Suriya Seaports and Travel Ltd., Part.

75/11 Bangkok Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 211413 Fax: (076) 211413

TRANSPORTATION & SERVICES

How to get to Phuket

By Air

Thai International operates daily jet flights between Bangkok and Phuket. There are further domestic connections with Surat Thani and Hat Yai. Phuket has international connections with Penang, Kuala Lumpur, Singapore and Hong Kong. Reservations for domestic flights may be made in Bangkok by telephoning 280-0070 and 280-0080. Reservations in Phuket may be made at 211-195 and 212-946 (domestic) and 212-400 and 212-855 (international)

By Bus

Government-operated buses regularly make the 14-hour journey between Bangkok and Phuket from the Southern Bus Terminal on Charansanitwongse Road. Tel: 435-1200 (air-conditioned) and 411-0511 (regular). Phuket Travel Service 435-5034, 435-5018 Phuket Central Tour 435-5019

By Rail

There is no rail service to Phuket. The nearest railway stations are at Surat Thani (6 hours northeast by road, 25 minutes by air) and Hat Yai (8 hours southeast by road, 20 minutes by air)

Transportation within town

Small minibuses known as 'tuk tuks' cost 5 baht per person per trip anywhere within town.

Bus services to different beaches

Buses to local beaches leave from the market on Ranong Road every 30 minutes between 8.00 AM. and 6.00 PM. every day. Fares to Patong Kamala, Sarasin, Kata, Karon, Ao Makham and Surin are 10 baht per person per trip. Ko Siray is 8 baht and Nai Yang 15 baht. Buses to Laem Ka, Rawai and Nai Harn leave from the circle on Bangkok Road at similar intervals. Fares to Laem Ka and Rawai are 10 baht and to Nai Harn 20 baht.

'Tuk tuks' may also be hired from town to go to any of the beaches. Fares must be negotiated before each trip.

From town to the airport

Local buses leave from the Ranong Road market between 9.00 and 11.00 AM. The fare is 15 baht.

Limousines leave the Thai Airways International Office opposite the Ranong Road market according to flight schedules. The fare is 50 baht per person.

Car Rental Services

The following companies should be contacted directly for explicit details.

Pure Car Rent

Opposite Thavorn Hotel, Rasada Rd., Tel. 211002

Phuket Car Center

Takuapa Road. Tel. 212671-3

Phuket Horizon Car Rent

108/1 Rasada Road, (near Thavorn Hotel).

Tel. 211151, 215200

Avis Car Rent

Dusit Laguna Hotel, Bang Tao Beach, Tel. 311320-9

Phuket Cabana Hotel,

Patong Beach. Tel. 321138-40

Phuket Arcadia Hotel,

Karon Beach Tel. 381038-44

Phuket Island Resort

Tel. 381010

Le Meridian

Patong Beach. Tel. 321480-5

Holiday Inn (Phuket)

Patong Beach Tel. 321020

Phuket Int'l Airport

Tel. 311358

The Metropole Hotel,

Montree Rd., Tel. 214022-9

Kata Beach Resort

Tel. 381530-3

Phuket Shopping Center

Hent Car Rent

Thavorn Plaum Beach Tel. 381034-7

Patong Merlin

Tel. 321070-4

Pansea

Tel. 311249

Pearl Village

Tel. 311378

Phuket Int'l Airport

Tel. 311162, 311463, 311511 Ext. 2158

Jeep Rentals are available on Rasada Road and most beaches. Rates are some 700-1,000 baht per day excluding gasoline.

Motorcycle Rentals are available in the same areas. Rates range between 150 and 250 baht per day excluding gasoline.

Boat Services**Thai Yachting Co., Ltd.**

B 1-2 Patong View Plaza, Patong Beach Hotel, Phuket
Tel. (076) 321301-2

Sun And Sand Tour Co., Ltd.

Pearl Hotel, Phuket
Tel. (076) 211044 Ext. 429

Thai Int'l Tour Co., Ltd./Asia Voyage

64/1 Rasada Center, Phuket
Tel. (076) 216137 Fax: (076) 214668

Star Yachting Co., Ltd.

Chalong Bay Phuket
Tel. (076) 351379 Fax: (076) 381651

The Travel Company

89/71 Thaweewong Rd., Patong Beach, Phuket
Tel. (076) 321292 Fax: (076) 321292
Telex: 65542 SIMILAN TH

Magnum Travel

P.O. Box 227, Patong Beach, Phuket
Tel. (076) 321117, 381640 Fax: (076) 321357

Suriya Seaports and Travel Ltd., Part.

75/11 Bangkok Rd., Phuket
Tel: (076) 211413 Fax: (076) 211413

Cruise Center

78/3 Vised Rd., Rawai Beach, Phuket
Tel. (076) 381793

Phuket Divers Co., Ltd.

7/70 Poonpol Rd., Phuket
Tel. (076) 215738, 214649

Diana

31/1 Poonpol Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 215736, 214649

Phuket Sea Canoe Center

P.O. Box 276, Phuket

Tel. (076) 392237 Fax: (076) 213934

Reef Explorers

P.O. Box 236, Phuket

Tel: (076) 381325 Fax: (076) 381957

Phuket Yacht Charter Co., Ltd.

5/3 East Chao Fah Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 216556 Fax: (076) 216556

Siam Yacht Charter

P.O. Box 164, Phuket

Tel. (076) 212901-4 Ext. 118 Fax: (076) 213604 Attn. SYC

Telex: 69513 SHPSERV TH Attn. SYC

Aloha Tour Co., Ltd.

Chalong Bay, Phuket

Tel. (076) 381215 Fax: (076) 381662

Numchai Ocean Transport

145 Phang Nga Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 211666, 212984, 212597

Fax: (076) 211686

Tours To Similan Islands**Songserm Travel Center Co., Ltd.**

64/2 Rasada Center, Phuket

Tel. (076) 216820, 214272, 214297, 214301

Seatran Travel Co., Ltd.

6 Phang Nga Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 211809, 213510

Siam Diving Center

121/9 Patak Rd., Kata-Karon Beach, Phuket

Tel. (076) 381608 Fax: (076) 381414

Telex: 65542 SIMILAN TH

Phuket Aquatic Safari

62/9 Rasada Center, Phuket

Tel. (076) 216562 Fax: (076) 214537

Telex: 65533 TAFCO TH

Reef Explorers

P.O. Box 230, Muang District, Phuket

Tel. (076) 361325 Fax: (076) 381957

Diana

31/1 Poonpol Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 214649, 215738

Tours To Coral Islands

Coral Island Resort

Off. 53 Phuket Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 216381, 214779 Fax: (076) 216263

Aloha Tour Co., Ltd.

Chalong Bay, Phuket

Tel. (076) 381215 Fax: (076) 381662

Tours To Pee Pee Islands

Silver Queen (Express Boat)

1/10 Tung Ka Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 214056, 211348

Seatran Travel Co., Ltd. (Express Boat)

6 Phang Nga Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 211804, 213510

Pee Pee Hydrocraft Co., Ltd. (Express Boat)

One Sim Phye Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 211530, 215156

Songserm Travel Center Co., Ltd. (Express Boat)

64/2 Rasada Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 216820, 214272, 214297, 214301

Aloha Tour Co., Ltd. (Express Boat)

Chalong Bay, Phuket

Tel. (076) 381215 Fax: (076) 381662

Diamond Travel Service (Ordinary Boat)

125/1 Phang Nga Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 213645

Pee Pee Phuket Cruiser (Ordinary Boat)

243/7 Soi Phuthorn, Ranong Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 211253

Lovely Travel And Tour Ltd., Part. (Ordinary Boat)

5/6 Soi Surin, Phuket

Tel. (076) 215369

Andaman Queens Tours Co., Ltd. (Ordinary Boat)

44 Phuket Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 215261

Phi Phi Palm Beach Resort Co., Ltd.

196/1-3 Phuket Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 214654

Purin

73-75 Lilok Uthit Rd., Phuket

Tel. (076) 215414

MAJOR EVENTS & FESTIVALS

Chinese Vegetarian Festival

Each year, beginning on the first day of the ninth month of the Chinese year (usually late September or early October) Phuket islanders of Chinese ancestry commit themselves to a nine-day vegetarian diet. The regimen is undertaken in the belief that the body and spirit will be purified, that participants will gain great merit, and that the subsequent year will be trouble-free. The festival's first day is marked by a parade of white-clothed devotees and several ascetic displays, including fire-walking, ascending sharp-bladed ladders and pushing iron rods through various parts of the body.

Phuket International Marathon

July

This annual event attracts world-class runners and local competitors who compete over one of the most picturesque courses in Southeast Asia. The event comprises both a full and mini-marathon in several different classes.

Phuket King's Cup Regatta 1991

December

First held three years ago, this has become an annual event in the blue waters of the Andaman Sea off the island of Phuket, sponsored by the Phuket Yacht Club and other groups. Competitors come from Malaysia, Singapore, and other countries as well as Thailand and trophies are awarded in several different categories.

SHOPPING

Phuket's gift shops stock popular handicrafts from all over Thailand, southern batiks and local products such as hand-crafted coral and shell ornamentation.

Cultured pearls are popular purchases. For these, it is necessary to visit the Naga Pearl Island and purchase at source. A boat leaves Ao Po on the east coast every day at 10.30 AM. For 600 baht, including lunch, the visitor may see a cultured pearl demonstration, have

lunch, swim or snorkel, and shop at the pearl farm's own emporium where Japanese professionals grade pearls.

Souvenir Shops

Pearl and Silk

Rasada Rd.,

Phuket Pearl

61-63 Rasada Rd., Tel. 211317, 215948

Phuket Shell Shop

62 Chao Fah Rd., Tel. 381193

Phuket Sea Shell

12 Vised Rd., Tel. 381274, 381266

Phuket Souvenir Center

83 Rasada Rd., Tel. 215381

Phuket International Lapidary Co., Ltd.

22-24 Deebuk Rd., Tel. 214141, 214441 Fax: 215876

Mook Pradit Capit Shell Product

5/5 Mae Luan Rd., Tel. 215564, 215682

Mook Pakdee Factory

369 Soi 4 Yaowarat Rd., Tel. 213346

Mook Manee

53 Phuket Rd.,

Mook Rawai

91-93 Rasada Rd., Tel. 211103/Vised Rd.,
Tel. 381816-9

DINING

Phuket's seafood is probably the best in Thailand, and is prepared in a variety of succulent styles. Standard western fare is found in major hotels and coffee shops. Thai, Chinese and Islamie food is available islandwide. Southern Thai food can be spicy hot, but local specialties such as spicy mango salads are well worth sampling. Tropical fruits abound paticularly local pincapples and coconuts.

Island specialties the visitor may enjoy include

Khanom Jeen (Thai rice noodles) caten with a curry sauce made from minced fish or shrimps, and fresh or pickled vegetables.

Mee Hokkian or **Mee Hun** (Amoy noodles) fried with shrimps, pork, shellfish and green cabbage.

Mee Sapam (originating in Sapan Village) which are noodles with seafood and gravy.

Ho Mok is a curried fish or seafood dish with coconut milk steamed inside a banana leaf cup.

Nam Prik Kung Siap is a hot fermented shrimp paste with sweetened crisp shrimps dip eaten with fresh and steamed vegetables.

List of Restaurants in Phuket

Phuket Town

Erawan (*Chinese style Seafood*)

41/34 Montri Rd., near Pearl Hotel, Tel. 215299

Jack and Joy Restaurant (*Thai*)

118-120 Phang Nga Rd., Tel. 211838

Kaw Yam Restaurant and Bakery (*Thai*)

11/1 Thung Ka Rd., Tel. 214201

Korean Restaurant

20/38 Maeluan Rd., Tel. 212572

Krua-Thai (*Thai*)

62/7 Rasada Rd., Tel. 213479

Le Cafe (*European*)

Rasada Center. Tel. 215563

Lucky Seafood Garden (*Seafood*)

66/1 Phuket Rd., Saphan Hin. Tel. 212175

Miano (*International*)

54/10-11 Montri Rd., Tel. 214605

Omar-E-Khyam Restaurant (*Indian*)

54/1 Montri Rd., opp. Thai Airways,
Tel. 211891, (01) 723-0687

Phuket Seafood

66/2 Phuket Rd., Saphan Hin. Tel. 212245

Kanda Bakery

31-33 Rasada Rd., Tel. 213218

Lai An Lao (*Chinese*)

58 Rasada Rd., Tel. 211245

Mae Porn

50-52 Phang Nga Rd., Tel. 212106, 211389

Roong Aroon

153 Phang Nga Rd., Tel. 211159

Kaewjai

161 Phang Nga Rd., Tel. 211439

Thip Kee Ree

208/3 Thepkrasattri Rd., Tel. 215097

Krajok See

26 Takuapa Rd.,

Siang Sian

263-5 Thalang Rd., Tel. 215928

Nai Yao

172 Phuket Rd., Tel. 212719

Mai Ruey Mai Lerk

412 Phuket Rd., Tel. 213256

Jee Huad (*Local Food*)

92 Yawaraj Rd., Tel. 212802

Phuket View Restaurant (*Thai, Japanese & Seafood*)

87/12 Korsimbee Rd., Tel. 216865

Suthep Roast Chicken (*Chicken*)

480 Phuket Rd., Tel. 216792

Timber Hut Pub & Restaurant (*Thai*)

118/1 Yawaraj Rd., Tel. 211839

Tong An (*Chinese*)

45-49 Phuket Rd., Tel. 211145

Mae La Seafood

66 Phuket Rd., Tel. 211370

Laemthong Seafood

41/27 Montri Rd., Tel. 211269

Tah Lay Thai (*Seafood*)

41/16 Montri Rd., Tel. 214719

Ocean Food Center 5th Floor

97-105 Montri Rd., Tel. 214061-4

Mai Ngam

19/9 Montri Rd., Tel. 212157

Mee Sapam

19/8 Montri Rd.

Suki Montri

12/7 Montri Rd., Tel. 212936, 211941, 212849

Jack Food & Drink Center

80/18 Vichitsongkram Rd.

Ko Ta

126 Yawaraj Rd., Tel. 212817

Metro

305/1-2 Rd., Tel. 216507

Night Market Food Center

Opposite Imperial Hotel

Paradise Market

Rocky's Restaurant & Bar (*English/International*)

94/27 Soi Patong Resort

Roma Da Mauro E Franco (*Italian & Seafood*)

89/15 Soi Permpong 1

S & G (*Western*)

89/8 Soi Post Office

Shalimar (*Indian*)

89/59 Soi Post Office, Tel. 01-7230488

Taj Mahal (*Riffis*)

89/119 Soi Permpong Pattana II

Vecchia Venezia (*Italian*)

82/16 Rat Uhtit

Suan Nok (*Thai*)

Holiday Inn, Tel. 321020

Number 4

82 Soi Bangla, Tel. 321336

Tum Seafood

82/2-3 Soi Bangla

Oni Seafood

82/4-6 Soi Bangla

Patong Seafood

98/2 Thaweewong Rd., Tel. 321247

Malee Seafood

94/4 Thaweewong Rd.,

Laempetch Seafood

100/3 Thaweewong Rd., Tel. 321078

Seafood Market

Song Roi Pee Rd., Patong Night Plaza,
Tel. 01-7230566

Kata/Karon Beach

Jack and Joy (*European & Seafood*)

Opp. Kata Plaza

Karon Cafe & Hotel (*American & Steak*)

33/76 Patak Rd., J.K. Arcade

Le Garden Bar & Restaurant (*French*)

6/1 Patak Rd.,

Lobster & Prawn

114/28-29 Kata Center, Tel. 381619

Maxim's (*Seafood*)

Karon Beach, Tel. 381500-2

Pa-Ka-Rang Restaurant & Coffee House

36/10 Crystal Beach Hotel, Tel. 381580

Ristoranta Italiano Pizzeria

Karon Beach

Swiss Restaurant and Bakery (*European & Bakery*)

Patak Rd., near Bougainvilla Apartment,

Tel. 381060

Hayashi (*Japanese*)

137/1 Soi Hinkao, Patak Rd., Tel. 381710-4

Rawai Beach

Salaloy

Tel. 381297

Mae Klong

Tel. 381299

Porn Mae

Tel. 381300

Rim Lay

Tel. 381264

Chalong Bay

Kan Eang 1

Tel. 381212

Kan Eang II

Tel. 381323, 381661

Tasanee Seafood

Tel. 381214

Patong Beach

Aquatique Restaurant (*Seafood & International*)

Phuket Cabana Hotel, Tel. 321138

Baan Rim Pa (*Thai*)

100/7 Kalim Beach Rd., Tel. 01-7230386

Babylon (*Italian*)

94/2 Soi Patong Resort & 93/12 Soi Bangla Rd.,

Tel. 321156

Banditos (*Mexican*)

89/130 Soi Permpong Pattana

Bier-Kutsche (*German*)

Soi Bangla opposite Ban Sukhothai

Charlies Restaurant (*Scandinavian*)

65/20 Soi Sansabai

Cowboy Pub & Restaurant (*Western*)

89/33-35 Soi Post Office, Thaweewong Rd.,

Fondue & Steak House (*International*)

94/20 Soi Patong Resort, Tel. 321033

Grillhutte (*Austrian*)

61/13-15 Thaweewong Rd., Tel. 321128

Halfway Restaurant (*Steakhouse & Seafood*)

17/2 Rat Uthit Rd.

II Principle

Rat Uthit Rd., Capricorn Bungalow, Tel. 321390

Kashmir Restaurant (*Indian*)

83/50 Thaweewong Rd.

Malee Seafood Village (*European Seafood*)

Thaweewong Rd., Tel. 321205

Mon Bijou (*Berliner Gasthaus*)

72/5 Raj Uthit Rd., Tel. 01-7230131

No. 1 Seafood & Wine Garden

81/40 Thaweewong Rd., Tel. 321244

Odin's (*Scandinavian & International*)

Rat Uthit Rd.

Paciugo (*Ice cream*)

Soi Patong Resort

Patong Seafood Restaurant

98/2 Thaweewong Rd., Tel. 321247

Pizzeria (*Italian*)

Holiday Inn, Tel. 321020

Restaurant Jagerstube (*Deutsch*)

84/15 Soi San Sabai

Riviera Restaurant (*French & Italian*)

Holiday Inn, Tel. 321020

ENTERTAINMENT

Crazy Horse Club

Horseback Riding

Nai Harn Beach, 2 km. before Phuket Yacht Club.

Is one of your fantasies to go horseback riding along the edge of the surf on a tropical beach? At the Crazy Horse near Nai Harn Beach, this dream can come true with a choice of two trail rides. The first is a 1 hour ride on the beach and marshland fields. The second is a mountain trail ride for 2 hours or more with a great view of the landscape and sea. The price is 300 baht per hour and that includes the service of a guide that

comes along to show the way, and gives instructions on how to ride, although all the horses are gentle.

Crocodile World & Elephant Land
Chana Charoen Road. Tel: 211410
Open: 09:00-18:00 daily

Aquarium

On an area of 30 rai is an open zoo with crocodiles, a snake farm, deer, an aviary, and elephant performances. With its recent renovation, the park will feature more animals in a new tropical garden atmosphere. Admission 50/200 show.

Fitness Club Center

Sports

Holiday Inn. Thaweewong Road. Patong Beach
Open: 09:00-21:00 daily., closed Sunday morning

The Fitness Club Center is a fully-equipped sports facility with the latest bodybuilding equipment, aerobic-classes everyday, sauna for men and women, and massage rooms. The Fitness Club Center is expertly staffed and will provide personal instruction for beginners, and design individual programs for experienced members. Membership cards are available with daily, weekly, and monthly rates

Naga Pearl

Pearl Farm

Koh Naga Noi. Tel: 213723
Open: 10:00-20:00

The Naga Pearl Farm is the only South Sea Pearl farm in the world that is opened to the public year round. While there, you can see a demonstration of the cultivation and harvest of a South Sea Pearl, shop for genuine pearls, enjoy delicious seafood, relax and swim on a private beach, cruise to neighboring islands, experience exciting water sports, and choose to spend the night on the private island in natural surroundings. A daily tour from 09:00-16:00 is available. You should not leave Phuket without a visit to the real Island of Pearls.

Nimit Snooker Club

Snooker

53/57 Nimit 1 Road, Phuket Town. Tel: 213202
Open: 09:00-closing

Snooker is the game played at the Nimit Club. There are 5 VIP tables at 120 baht an hour, and 5 standard tables that rent for 50 baht an hour. Watch the action from the bar where food and drinks are served. Nimit also offers VIP playing rooms with sofas, refrigerator, and snooker table.

Phuket Aquarium*Aquarium**National Biological Research Center, Phanwa Cape**Open: 10:00-16:00 daily*

The Phuket Aquarium is a place where people can learn more about marine life and its environment as a preview to one's own snorkelling adventure. There are 50 observation tanks for the study of marine biology and coral culture. The admission is 10 baht, and fringing the aquarium house are souvenir shops and a coffee shop whose earnings support the aquarium.

Phuket Riding Club*Horseback Riding*

82/2 Patak Road. 800 m. from the Chalong Circle towards Kata Beach. Tel: 381667 (Same location with Phuket Shooting Range) Open: 08:30-18:00

The Phuket Riding Club offers the member an opportunity to learn riding from the ground up. Full facilities to make you a pro. Tours arranged for tourists to the beach through coconut and rubber plantations or in the ring located on the premises. Easy horses are available for beginners with fully trained instructors. Children are welcome.

Phuket Shooting Range*Shooting Range*

82/2 Patak Road. Tel: 381667

Open: 09:30-18:00

Small arms target shooting is a field that precision in equipment and self are essential to reach the top. Phuket Shooting Range offers you the perfect chance. A 33 gallery indoor range with its own separate demonstration room. 2 outdoor ranges. with guns and rifles of varying calibre: 22, 38, 45 and 9 mm. Highly qualified-instructors are on hand to teach and answer any questions. Be a part of the action!

Phuket Orchid Garden & Thai Village Entertainment

Phuket Town, Tel: 214860

Open: 10:00-22:00

For a total southern experience. the Thai Village is an excellent opportunity to watch a spectacular show including Thai classical dance. swordfighting. kick boxing. and later treat yourself to an elephant ride. Art exhibits and handicrafts are for sale. Admission is 190 baht.

Thai Shows*Variety Entertainment*

Located on hill before Patong Beach. Hotline: 01-7230841, 01-7230861, 01-7230862

Located on the mountain only minutes before

Patong Beach is a classic Thai style house where you will find a variety of Thai shows presenting Muay Thai (Boxing Thai style). Thai classical dances. and a reenactment of ancient sword and KBKB fighting. Two shows are presented nightly at 19:30 with a "Khan Toke" authentic Thai meal served while enjoying the evening's entertainment.

DISCOTHEQUES

Banana Discotheque

Patong Beach Hotel, Thaweewong Road, Patong Beach
Open: 20:30-02:00

The Banana Discotheque will keep you slipping and sliding to the latest in rock videos. A magic show is presented at 01:00, and then the last jam session will carry you over to the bewitching hour.

Crocodile Music Hall

Soi Bangla. Patong Beach

This high-tech music video dance hall will keep you rocking and rolling until the wee hours of the morning. There is a 70 baht cover charge. Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday have cabaret shows from Tiffany's and Tiara with show time at 01:30. There is a large dance stage, with sofas and counters. with sitting areas on the ground and upper floor. "Catch you tonight" as the Crocodile music hall saying goes!

Open: 22:00-02:00 *Capacity: 700*
Cocktails: wine, beer, and hard liquors

Deep Sea Video Theque

Phuket Arcadia Hotel, Karon Beach, Tel: 381443

It's underworld magic at the Deep Sea Video Theque in the ground floor of the Phuket Arcadia Hotel on Karon Beach. The DJ will keep you dancing from one tune cabaret show: with a different theme every Saturday night. Plunge right into the Deep Sea Video Theque...and don't forget your flippers.

Open: 22:00-02:00 *Capacity 220 persons*
Cover Charge: 90 baht with 1 drink, or 500 baht B.Y.O.B.

Diamond Video Theque

*74 Rasada Road, Thavorn Hotel. Phuket Town,
Tel: 211333*

Dancing to the latest rock music videos is what the Diamond Video Theque is all about. A large dance stage is on the first floor, with more private and luxurious sitting arrangements on the second floor.

*Open: 21:00-02:00 Cover Charge: women ฿ 50 :
men ฿ 70*

Cocktails: imported liquors

Marina Disco Lounge

Phuket Merlin Hotel, Phuket Town, Tel: 212866

Open: 21:00-02:00

The dress code for all of Phuket's disco hot spots is no slippers or shorts, and the well decorated VIP disco lounge of the Marina Disco is the place to spin those new clothes around. A music video manned by a quick talking DJ will keep you dancing until closing time. All drinks are 80 baht and the B.Y.O.B. charge is 500 baht.

MASSAGE PARLORS

Daeng Plaza's Massage Parlor

Daeng Plaza's Hotel, Phuket Road, Phuket Town

Open: 17:00-02:00

Fifty well-trained ladies can help freshen and release those anxieties and tensions with a traditional Thai style massage. There are 42 private rooms. the massage costs 80 baht an hour, and the sauna is 60 baht an hour

Grand Plaza Massage Parlor

23 Tilok Uthit 1 Road, Phuket, Tel: (076) 214921-5

Open: 14:00-12:00 Sat-Sun 12:00-12:00

We have 120 luxurious rooms equipped with large bath, king size bed and video with 170 girls available for traditional, Body or "Tora" massage. Enjoy the best Phuket has to offer.

Madam Massage Center

Phuket Merlin Hotel, Phuket Town. Tel: 212866

Open: 13:00-01:00

Located in the basement of the Phuket Merlin Hotel. Finnish style massage is offered by experienced masseuses along with a sauna. Why not drop in and relax.

ACCOMMODATION

First-class hotels within town offer complimentary transport to their own beach clubs. Economy-class hotels also available within town. Deluxe resort hotels with spectacular views offer airconditioned accommodation, as do many cabin and bungalow complexes on Phuket's most popular beaches. Yet other 'native-style' complexes, built of bamboo, rattan and Nipa palm thatch, offer relatively inexpensive accommodation.

Phuket's major hotels and bungalow complexes are:

Kittikorn Hotel

11 Surin Rd., Tel. 212006 Rooms: 25 Rate: ฿ 150-250

Kohsawan Hotel

Phoonpol Rd., Tel. 211867 Rooms: 20 Rate: ฿ 80-100

999 Hotel

54/2-3 Kra Rd., Tel. 211969 Rooms: 29 Rate: ฿ 150-350

June Hotel

7/3 Chao Fah Rd., Tel. 216431

Rooms: 28 Rate: ฿ 150-250

Jaroensuk Hotel

Thalang Rd., Tel. 211203 Rooms: 10 Rate: ฿ 1200

City Hotel

Thepkrasatree Rd., Tel. 216910-6 Rooms: 164

Rate: ฿ 968-3638

Silver Sand Inn

56 Thepkrasatree Rd., Tel. 212932, 212518

Rooms: 58 Rate: ฿ 799

Downtown Inn

Ranong Rd., Tel. 216884-5 Rooms: 24 Rate: ฿ 220-380

Daeng Plaza Hotel

Phuket Rd., Tel. 213951, 213966 Rooms: 75

Rate: ฿ 1,000-1,500

Damrong Hotel

52 Luang Poh Rd., Tel. 211704 Rooms: 79

Rate: ฿ 150-350

New tem Bangalow II

108/38 Soi Patsatn Chao Fah Rd., Tel. 230403

Rams: 10 Rate: ฿ 600

Subsiri Hotel

Patipat Rd., Tel. 211353 Rooms: 63 Rate: ฿ 200-300

T. Songsaeng Hotel

72/5 Chao Fah Rd., Tel. 212567 Rooms: 32
Rate: ฿ 150-300

Thavorn Hotel

Rasada Rd., Tel. 211333-5 Rooms: 200
Rate: ฿ 380-580

Thai Inter

22 Phoonpol Rd., Tel. 214452 Rooms: 63
Rate: ฿ 220-300

Thanaporn Guesthouse

41/7 Montree Rd., Tel. 216504, 216819 Rooms: 22
Rate: ฿ 250-450

Thara Hotel

Thepkrasatree Rd., Tel. 216208 Rooms: 28
Rate: ฿ 120

Pacific Inn

Phuket Rd., Tel. 214838 Rooms: 24 Rate: ฿ 280-390

Palace Inn

Soi Phutorn Tel. 215060 Rooms: 19 Rate: ฿ 220-380

PS Inn

Ong Sim Pai Rd., Tel. 212216 Rooms: 117
Rate: ฿ 190-280

Phoonpol Hotel

Phoonpol Rd., Rooms: 14 Rate: ฿ 100

Pearl Hotel

Montree Rd., Tel. 211044 Rooms: 200
Rate: ฿ 1,452-6,050

Pure Mansion

Chao Fah Rd., Tel. 211709 Rooms: 48
Rate: ฿ 570

Phuket Garden Hotel

40/2 Bangkok Rd., Tel. 2169009 Rooms: 132
Rate: ฿ 900-1,210

Phuket GuestHouse

64/15 Bangkok Rd., Soi Phatom Tel. 215755
Rooms: 40 Rate: ฿ 900-1,600

Phuket Merlin Hotel

Yaowaraj Rd., Tel. 212866-70 Rooms: 180
Rate: ฿ 1,186-4,114

Phuket Mansion

3/37 Phuket Rd., Soi Palingchan Tel. 215161
Rooms: 30 Rate: ฿ 4,500-8,500

Phuket Motel

60 Phoonpol Rd., Tel. 211958 Rooms: 39
Rate: ฿ 150-300

Montree Hotel

12/6 Montree Rd., Tel. 212930 Rooms: 72
Rate: ฿ 180-480

Manorah

17/4 Komarapat Rd., Tel. 216079, 212003
Rooms: 72 Rate: ฿ 600-700

The Metropole

1 Montree Rd., Tel. 214022-9, 215050
Rooms: 248 Rate: ฿ 1,616-12,120

Rasada Hotel

Thepkrasatree Rd., Tel. 215716 Rooms: 15
Rate: ฿ 120

Roongrawee Mansion

Yaowaraj Rd., Soi 3 Tel. 213275, 211446
Rooms: 30 Rate: 400-700

Wasana Guesthouse

Ranong Rd., Tel. 211754 Rooms: 28
Rate: ฿ 200-300

Siam Hotel

13-15 Phuket Rd., Tel. 212328 Rooms: 28
Rate: ฿ 150-200

Sintawee Hotel

81 Phang-nga Rd., Tel. 212153 Rooms: 260
Rate: ฿ 250-4,000

Siri Hotel

231 Yaowaraj Rd., Tel. 211307 Rooms: 107
Rate: ฿ 320-380

Suksabye Hotel

Thepkrasatree Rd., Tel. 212287 Rooms: 53
Rate: ฿ 120-220

Lamethong Hotel

13 Soi Romanee, Thalang Rd., Tel. 212310
Rooms: 28 Rate: ฿ 60-100

On On Hotel

Phang-nga Rd., Tel. 211154 Rooms: 50
Rate: ฿ 80-300

Imperial Hotel

Phuket Rd., Tel. 212311 Rooms: 39 Rate: ฿ 250-400

Imperial Hotel II

17/14 Luang Poh Rd., Tel. 213156 Rooms: 50
Rate: ฿ 450-2,000

J & P Guesthouse

43/4 Suthat Rd., Tel. 216055 Rooms: 12

Rate: ฿ 150

Phuket Inn

Tel. 212226, 212687 Rooms: 40 Rate: ฿ 228-450

Suwan Apartment

Surin Rd., Soi 2 Rooms: 26 Rate: 2,500

Black Margin Bungalow

Narisorn Rd., Tel. 213401 Rooms: 90

Rate: ฿ 300-900

Jongdee Bungalow

Nai Harn Beach Rooms: 7 Rate: ฿ 80-100

Jungle Beach Resort

11/3 Vised Rd., Tel. 214291 Rooms: 44

Rate: ฿ 1,320-1,760

Sunset Bungalow

Nai Harn Beach Rooms: 65 Rate: ฿ 80-100

Nai Harn Beach Resort

14/29 Moo 1, Nai Harn Beach Tel. 381810

Rooms: 20 Rate: ฿ 500-800

Nai Harn Ya Nui Bungalow

Nai Harn Beach Rooms: 16 Rate: ฿ 200

Phuket Yacht Club Hotel

23/3 Vised Rd., Tel. 381156-63 Rooms: 108

Rate: ฿ 5,808-18,755

Ao Sane Bungalow

Sane Bay Rooms: 23 Rate: ฿ 80-250

Naiya Beach Bungalow

Nai Harn Beach Rooms: 12 Rate: ฿ 450

Kata Guesthouse

Kata Beach Tel. 381627 Rooms: 21

Rate: ฿ 360-560

Kata Delight

P.O. Box 124 Phuket Tel. 381481, 381636

Rooms: 6 Rate: ฿ 1,400-1,600

Kata Thani Hotel

Kata Noi Beach Tel. 381417-25 Rooms: 183

Rate: ฿ 2,662-12,100

Kata Noi Club

3/25 Tumbon Karon, P.O. Box 157, Phuket

Rooms: 16

Kata Noi Beach Inn

3/17 Tumbon Karon Rooms: 6 Rate: ฿ 100

Kata Noi Bay Inn

Kata Beach Rooms: 10 Rate: ฿ 80-100

Kata Noi Rivera

3/21 Patak Rd., Tel. 381726 Rooms: 30

Rate: ฿ 200-500

Kata Villa

Off. 2 Krabi Rd., Tel: 381602 Rooms: 22

Rate: ฿ 150-300

Kata Beach Resort

5/2 Patak Rd., Tel. 381530-3 Rooms: 280

Rate: ฿ 1,500-6,000

Kunlapangha

9/7 Moo 2 Kata Beach Rooms: 8 Rate: ฿ 150-200

Crystal Beach Hotel

36/10 Patak Rd., Tel. 381580-5 Rooms: 120

Rate: ฿ 200-400

Club Mediterranee

P.O. Box 145, Phuket 83000 Rooms: 300

Rate: ฿ 2,300-3,400

Coolbreeze Bungalow

Kata Beach Rooms: 17 Rate: ฿ 70

Chao Kheun Bungalow

5/3 Patak Rd., Kata Beach Tel. 381403 Rooms: 18

Rate: ฿ 1,200

Shady Bungalow

2 Moo 2 Patak Rd., Rooms: 6 Rate: ฿ 150

Sea Bees

13/2 Moo 2 Kata Rooms: 8 Rate: 150-200

Sea Wind Hotel

9/11 Opposite Kata Plaza Tel. 381564 Rooms: 22

Rate: ฿ 1,200-1,600

The Mansion Hotel

4/7 Kata Noi Beach Tel. 381565-6 Rooms: 33

Rate: ฿ 650-1,250

Bell Guesthouse

1/2 Kata Beach Rooms: 12 Rate: ฿ 150-200

Boat House Inn

Off Phuket Yacht Club Hotel Tel. 381557-60

Rooms: 36 Rate: ฿ 2,995-3,993

Pop Cottage

2/12 Moo 2 Patak Rd., Tel. 381794 Rooms: 30

Rate: ฿ 400-500

Peach Hill Hotel

Patak Rd., Rooms: 22 Rate: ฿ 500-1,000

Friendship Bungalow

6/5 Moo 2 Tumbon Karon Tel. 381499 Rooms: 23
Rate: ฿ 300-520

Fantasy Hill

112/1 Patak Rd., Rooms: 10 Rate: 80-100

Marina Cottage

P.O. Box 143, Phuket 83000 Tel. 381625, 381516
Rooms: 96 Rate: ฿ 1,320-1,980

Ruamthep Inn

120/4 Patak Rd., Rooms: 8 Rate: 500

Rose Inn

114/24 Kata-Karon Tel. 214839 Rooms: 16
Rate: ฿ 450

Western Inn

Kata Beach Rooms: 9

Laemsai Village

119/5 21 Moo 2 Rooms: 13 Rate: ฿ 1,350-1,720

Hayashi Thai House

Kata Beach Tel. 381710-4 Rooms: 50
Rate: ฿ 2,057-2,299

Bougainville Terrace House

Kata Beach Tel. 381060 Rooms: 17 Rate: 500-600

Katasnuk Village

Kata Beach Tel. 381476 Rooms: 20 Rate: ฿ 300

Kockchang Village

Kata Beach Tel. 381578 Rooms: 30 Rate: ฿ 300

P & T Kata House

Kata Beach Rooms: 16 Rate: ฿ 250

Hallo Guest House

Kata Beach Tel. 381631 Rooms: 23 Rate: ฿ 400-600

Kata Tropicana

Karon Beach Rooms: 10 Rate: ฿ 80-100

Karon Sea View

Karon Beach

Karon Beach Resort

Off 27 Rasada Rd., Tel. 381527-9 Rooms: 81
Rate: ฿ 2,540-6,655

Karon Bay Inn

Karon Beach Tel. 01-2230291 Rooms: 30
Rate: ฿ 1,000-1,100

Karon Villa-Karon Royalwing

36/4 Karon Beach Tel. 381140-55 Rooms: 152
Rate: ฿ 2,420-3,0250

Karon Village

62 Moo 3 Karon Tel. 381431 Rooms: 24

Rate: ฿ 400-700

Karon Inn

Karon Beach Tel. 381519-20 Rooms: 100

Rate: ฿ 1,450-1,650

Dream Hut

9/5 Tumbon Karon Rooms: 15 Rate: ฿ 100-200

Sand Resort

53/7 Karon Beach Tel. 212901-4 Ext. 036

Rooms: 32 Rate: ฿ 1,500

South Sea Resort

Karon Beach Tel. 381611-7 Rooms: 100

Rate: ฿ 2,904-14,520

Thavorn Palm Beach Hotel

128/10 Karon Tel. 381034-7 Rooms: 210

Rate: ฿ 2,500-15,730

Phuket Golden Sand Inn

8/6 Karon Tel. 381493-5 Rooms: 95

Rate: ฿ 600-1,200

Phuket Arcadia Hotel

78/2 Karon Beach Tel. 381038-9, 381040-4, 381433-41

Rooms: 255 Rate: ฿ 3,802-16,940

Phuket Ocean Resort 1

9/1 Karon Beach Tel. 381599, 381601

Rooms: 85 Rate: ฿ 600-1,200

Phuket Island View

P.O. Box 175, Phuket Tel. 381633, 381919

Rooms: 81 Rate: ฿ 1,000-1,200

My Friend

Karon Beach Rooms: 39 Rate: ฿ 100-500

Le Meridien

Karon Noi Beach Tel. 321480-5 Rooms: 470

Rate: ฿ 3,630-16,940

Happy Hut

121/2 Tumbon Karon Rooms: 35 Rate: ฿ 100

Karon Hill

Karon Noi Beach Tel. (01) 7230368 Rooms: 10

Rate: ฿ 1,000

Karon View Point

Karon Beach Tel. 381853 Rooms: 81

Rate: ฿ 2,662-6,050

Karon Guesthouse

Karon Beach Tel. 381860 Rooms: 35 Rate: ฿ 300-600

Green Valley

Karon Beach Tel. 381468 Rooms: 40

Rate: ฿ 1,000

Karon Cafe & Hotel

Rooms: 8 Rate: ฿ 250-500

Kampong Karon

Karon Beach Tel. 212901 Ext. 103 Rooms: 24

Rate: ฿ 700

Merlin Karon

Karon Beach Tel. 213310 Rooms: 27 Rate: ฿ 800

Swaddee Guesthouse

Karon Beach Tel. 381905 Rooms: 24

Rate: ฿ 150-600

Lume & Yai Bungalow

Karon Beach Rooms: 15 Rate: ฿ 500

Thepsomboon Inn

Karon Noi Beach Tel. (01) 7230291 Rooms: 14

Rate: ฿ 300-600

The Islandia Park Resort

Karon Beach Tel. 212394 Rooms: 128

Rate: ฿ 1,400-6,000

Tents Bungalows

Nai Yang National Park Tel. 212901-4 Ext. 015

Rooms: 11 Rate: ฿ 60-500

Crown Nai Yang Condotel

Nai Yang National Park Tel. 212901-4 Ext. 015,

311516-8 (01) 7230568 Rate: ฿ 4,000-15,000

Pearl Village Hotel

P.O. Box 93 Phuket Tel. 311338-9

Rooms: 215 Rate: ฿ 2,904-16,335

Garden Cottage

Nai Yang Beach (01) 7230828 Rooms: 10

Rate: ฿ 750-1,200

Seagull Cottage

103 Taweewong Rd., Tel. 321238-40 Rooms: 56

Rate: ฿ 650-1,150

Casuarina Bungalow

Patong Beach Tel. 321123 Rooms: 18

Rate: ฿ 400-600

K.S.R. Bungalow

83 Moo 3, Taweewong Rd., Tel. 321322

Rooms: 23 Rate: ฿ 500-800

Golden Field

Patong Beach Rooms: 10 Rate: ฿ 200

Golden Inn

Patong Beach Rooms: 12 Rate: ฿ 250

Club Oasis

86/4 Patong Beach Tel. 321258 Rooms: 25
Rate: ฿ 350-450

Coral Beach Hotel

104 Trai Trang Rd., Tel. 321106-15 Rooms: 200
Rate: ฿ 2,733-5,344

K. Hotel

82/47 Patong Beach Tel. 321124 Rooms: 42
Rate: ฿ 500-700

Coconut Villa

Taweewong Rd., Tel. 321161 Rooms: 38
Rate: ฿ 500-750

Coconut Village

Taweewong Rd., Tel. 321161 Rooms: 64
Rate: ฿ 1,583-2,188

Jeep Bungalow

81/7 Bang la Rd., Tel. 321264 Rooms: 22
Rate: ฿ 250

Shamrock Park Inn

17/2 Patong Beach Rooms: 9 Rate: ฿ 100-350

Safari Beach Hotel

83/12 Patong Beach Tel. 321230-1 Rooms: 37
Rate: ฿ 1,452-3,993

Seaview Hotel

102 Taweewong Rd., Tel. 321103 Rooms: 74
Rate: ฿ 700-1,200

C & N Bungalow

50/2 Rat Uthit Rd., Tel. 321475 Rooms: 36
Rate: ฿ 300-700

Sandy House

Patong Beach Rooms: 20 Rate: ฿ 500-1,200

Sunset Mansion

Patong Beach

Duangjitt Resort

99/4 Taweewong Rd., Tel. 321288 Rooms: 173
Rate: ฿ 1,742-2,000

Daimond Cliff Resort

61/9 Kalm Beach Tel. 321501-6
Rooms: 220 Rate: ฿ 2,700-14,000

Thavorn Bay Resort

6/2 Nakalae Beach Tel. 321486 Rooms: 70
Rate: ฿ 2,200-4,000

Tropica Bungalow

94/4 Taweewong Rd., Tel. 321204-6 Rooms: 63
Rate: ฿ 600-900

Thamdee Inn

69/4 Patong Beach Tel. 321452 Rooms: 40
Rate: ฿ 650-850

Thara Patong

81 Patong Beach Tel. 321135, 321520
Rooms: 118 Rate: ฿ 500-1,400

Nordic Bungalow

82/25 Patong Beach Tel. 321284 Rooms: 34
Rate: ฿ 450-850

Nipa Villa

39/4 Moo 3 Ban Sai Namyen Rooms: 30
Rate: ฿ 450-7,500

New Tum Bungalow 1

2 Moo 2 Ban Mon Tel. 321159 Rooms: 17
Rate: ฿ 500-750

Neptuna Hotel

82/49-50 Rat Uthit Rd., Tel. 321188 Rooms: 36
Rate: ฿ 1,200

Club Andaman Beach Resort

77/1 Patong Beach Tel. 321526, 321102, 321361-2
Rooms: 75 Rate: ฿ 3,449-4,296

Capricon Bungalow

82/29 Rat Uthit Rd., Tel. 321390 Rooms: 22
Rate: ฿ 200-400

Baan Koson

Patong Beach Rooms: 20 Rate: ฿ 250

Baan Sukhothai

95 Patong Beach Tel. 321195-6 Rooms: 120
Rate: ฿ 1,500-1,800

Banthai Beach Resort

89/71 Patong Beach Tel. 321328-30, 321388-9
Rooms: 190 Rate: ฿ 1,694-2,299

Beau Rivage

77/15-17 Rat Uthit Rd., Tel. 211239 Rooms: 20
Rate: ฿ 500-900

Patong Beach Bungalow

96/1 Patong Beach Tel. 321117, 321213
Rooms: 35 Rate: ฿ 1,120-1,800

Patong Beach Hotel

94 Patong Beach Tel. 321301-2, 321304-5
Rooms: 245 Rate: ฿ 1,452-1,694

Patong Bed & Breakfast

103/10 Taweewong Rd., Tel. 216534

Rate: ฿ 600-1,300

Patong Bay Garden Resort

61/13 Taweewong Rd., Tel. 321297-8

Rooms: 45 Rate: ฿ 1,500-2,500

Patong Bayshore Hotel

32 Rat Uthit Rd., Tel. 321011-5

Rooms: 56 Rate: ฿ 950-1,150

Patong Bay Inn

85/5 Taweewong Rd., Tel. 321092-3 Rooms: 27

Rate: 700-1,000

Patong Palace

61/18 Patong Beach Tel. 321359 Rooms: 18

Rate: ฿ 350-700

Patong Penthouse

Patong Beach Tel. 321350 Rooms: 39

Rate: ฿ 350-500

Patong Merlin Hotel

99/2 Taweewong Rd., Tel. 321070-4

Rooms: 297 Rate: ฿ 2,541-9,680

Patong Resort

94/2 Patong Beach Tel. 321333-5 Rooms: 210

Rate: ฿ 1,550-3,000

Patong Lodge

61/7 Kalm Beach Tel. 321286-7 Rooms: 46

Rate: ฿ 1,500-1,800

Patong Villa

85/3 Patong Beach Tel. 321132-3 Rooms: 24

Rate: ฿ 1,000-1,550

Patong Inn

98/3 Taweewong Rd., Patong Beach Tel. 321126

Rooms: 40 Rate: ฿ 1,200-1,600

Paradise Hotel

93 Patong Beach Tel. 321172 Rooms: 18

Rate: ฿ 500

Panorama Beach Club

57 Patong Beach Tel. 321451 Rooms: 43

Rate: ฿ 850-1,250

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50/2 Rat Uthit Rd., Tel. 321184 Rooms: 35

Rate: ฿ 300

Rendez Vous Inn & Restaurant

Paradise Complex Tel. 214201 Rooms: 10

P.S. II

76/59 Rat Uthit Rd., Tel. 321184 Rooms: 30
Rate: ฿ 350

Phuket Cabana Hotel

94 Patong Beach Tel. 321138-40 Rooms: 75
Rate: ฿ 1,936-2,541

The Royal Paradise Hotel

70 Rat Uthit, Moo 3 Kathu District Tel. 321566-70
Rooms: 248 Rate: 2,000-15,000

Vises Hotel

Patong Beach Tel. 321473, 321174 Rooms: 47
Rate: ฿ 1,400-4,500

Swiss Garden

Rooms: 8 Rate: ฿ 250

Skandia Bungalow

Rooms: 20 Rate: 200-650

Aloha Bungalow

Patong Beach Tel. 321308 Rooms: 20 Rate: 300-400

Expat Hotel

Patong Beach Tel. 321300 Rooms: 27
Rate: ฿ 580-690

Ocean Garden

97 Patong Beach Tel. 321189 Rooms: 18
Rate: ฿ 150-460

Islet Mansion

87/29 Patong Beach Tel. 321404 Rooms: 16
Rate: ฿ 500-1,200

Holiday Resort

Taweewong Rd., Tel. 321119, 321261 Rooms: 105
Rate: ฿ 860-1,200

Holiday Inn Phuket

86/1 Patong Beach Tel. 321020 Rooms: 280
Rate: ฿ 3,146-13,310

Holiday Hut

Patong Beach Rooms: 20 Rate: 250-500

Asia Guesthouse

70/44-45 Ratutit Rd., Tel. (01) 7230163 Rooms: 20
Rate: ฿ 300-800

Duck Tonight Hotel

Patong Beach Rooms: 9 Rate: ฿ 250-300

Amanpuri Resort

118 Srisoonthorn Rd., Tel. 311394-9 Rooms: 40
Rate: ฿ 6,800-17,500

Sevenssea Bungalow

76/1 Patong Beach Rooms: 10 Rate: ฿ 400

Suksan Mansion

Patong Beach Rooms: 20 Rate: ฿ 350

Summer Beach Mansion

Patong Beach Tel. (01) 7230859 Rooms: 28
Rate: ฿ 550

Super Mansion

Patong Beach Rooms: 28 Rate: 400-650

Swiss Garden Bungalow

Patong Beach Rate: ฿ 650

The Living Place

Patong Beach Tel. 321121 Rooms: 12
Rate: ฿ 650-800

The Residence

Patong Beach Tel. 321322 Rooms: 51
Rate: ฿ 300-800

Hotel California

Kalim Beach Tel. 321346 Rooms: 4
Rate: ฿ 1,800-4,000

Kalim Guesthouse

Kalim Beach Tel. 321353 Rooms: 11
Rate: ฿ 1,800-2,200

Nerntong Resort

Kalim Resort Rooms: 18 300-600

Dusit Laguna Hotel

390 Srisoonthorn Rd., Tel. 311320-9 Rooms: 240
Rate: ฿ 4,659-16,940

Bangtao Lagoon Bungalow

Bangtao Beach Tel. (01) 7230664 Rooms: 16
Rate: ฿ 200-400

Pacific Islands Club

Bangtao Beach Tel. 311011 Rooms: 265
Rate: ฿ 1,500-19,750

Royal Park Beach Resort

Bangtao Beach Tel. 311453, 311243 Rooms: 115
Rate: ฿ 2,541-18,755

Pansea Hotel

Off. Rasada Center Tel. 311249 Rooms: 110
Rate: ฿ 3,080-8,300

Island View Resort

47/5 Chalong Bay Tel. 381374, 381858 Rooms: 28
Rate: ฿ 1,100-1,200

Friendship Bungalow

Vised Rd., Tel. 381284 Rooms: 16

Rate: ฿ 150-400

Wijit Bungalow

Vised Rd., Tel. 381287 Rooms: 16 Rate: ฿ 300-520

Ailas Resort

14 Vised Rd., Tel. 381279, 381286, 381643

Rooms: 41 Rate: ฿ 400-800

Porn Mae Bungalow

58/1 Vised Rd., Tel. 381300 Rooms: 17

Rate: ฿ 80-100

Rawai Garden Resort

P.O. Box 108, Phuket Tel. 381292 Rooms: 8

Rate: ฿ 250

Rawai Plaza & Bungalow

Rawai Beach Tel. 381346-7 Rooms: 50

Rate: ฿ 350-900

Phuket Island Resort

Phuket Off. 73/1 Rasada Rd., Tel. 381010-7

Rooms: 300 Rate: ฿ 2,500-6,000

Lame Ka Beach Inn

Tumbon Rawai Tel. 381305 Rooms: 15 Rate: ฿ 550

Cape Panwa Sheraton Hotel

27 Sakdidej Rd., Tel. 391123-5 Rooms: 161

Rate: ฿ 3,025-6,534

Ao Chalong Bungalow

9/1 Chao Fah Rd., Tel. 381190 Rooms: 20

Rate: ฿ 150-200

Tapao Yai Island Resort

Tel. 391217 Rooms: 35 Rate: ฿ 800-1,500

Naka Pearl Farm & Resort

Off 20/20 Maeluan Rd., Tel. 213723, 212901-4

Ext. Naka Noi Island Rooms: 20 Rate: ฿ 100-800

Siray Seaview Bungalow

46 Moo 1 Tumbon Rasada Rooms: 32

Rate: ฿ 300-500

Madam Puye Bungalow

Rooms: 5 Rate: ฿ 200

Coral Island Resort

Off. 53 Phuket Rd., Tel. 216381, 214779 Rooms: 40

Rate: ฿ 950-2,400

Long Beach Bungalow

Yao Island Tel. 214243, 211248 Rooms: 40

Rate: ฿ 950

Remark: Rates Are Subject To Change Without Notice

NEIGHBOURING PROVINCES

PHANG NGA is usually visited because of its fascinating seascape and its short distance, about 2.30 hrs, from **Phuket**.

Everything from mangrove wood to pig-tailed macaques including primeval-looking islands and some of the caves containing prehistoric drawings evoke many moods. For example, **Phang-nga Bay**, recently declared a national park, is rich in natural resources. Major attractions include **Panyi Isle**, site of a stilted Muslim fishing village; most notably **James Bond Island** featured in many movies like "The Man With The Golden-Gun "or" The 007 Adventure"; **Tapoo Isle** or **The Nail Isle**; etc.

Further afield but impressive are **The Similan Islands**, also a national park, 110 kms. northwest of **Phuket**. There are nine uninhabited islands in the group, especially marvelous for devoted snorkellers and scuba divers.

KRABI is famous among both domestic and foreign tourists for its magnificent and fantastic beauty

One of its major attractions is **Phi Phi Islands** composing of 2 islets: "**Phi Phi Don**", gently undulating with many beautiful beaches and viewpoints, and "**Phi Phi Le**", mainly rocky with towering cliffs and birds' nest cave (**The Viking Cave**). With emerald crystal sea, secluded beaches and a relatively shallow sea-bed offering unique sights of coral reefs and enchanting marine life, **Phi Phi** is a rising star in the **Andaman**. It can be reached in about 1.20 hrs. by an express boat from **Phuket**.

Other **Krabi** attractions, less than 30 minutes from the provincial capital, are the beautiful **Nopparat Beach** and one of the world's only three such cemeteries- **Susan Hoi**, a 75,000,000 year-old shell cemetery where fossilized shells formed tiered concretelike slabs.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Business Hours

Government offices: 8.30 AM. to 4.30 PM. (noon to 1.00 PM. lunchbreak), Monday through Friday, except

public holidays. Banks: 8.30 AM. to 3.30 PM., Monday through Friday, except bank and public holidays. Commercial offices: generally 8.00 AM. to 5.00 PM., Monday through Friday.

Emergencies

Bi-lingual Tourist Police and attached to the Tourism Authority of Thailand's Phuket office to provide speedy assistance to visitors.

Clothing

Light cottons, loose and informal. Avoid bare arms and shorts in Buddhist temples and Muslim mosques. Comfortable sandals and shady hats are recommended all year round.

Health

Dentists

Mission. Thepkasattri Road, Tel: 212-386, 212-149
Phisai Road, Tel: 212-828

Dispensaries

Chao O Sot, Montri Road, 212-043
Thira O Sot, Phangnga Road, Tel: 211-162, 212-283

Hospitals

Wachira, Yaowaraj Road, Tel: 211-114
Mission. Thepkasattri Road, Tel: 212386
Phuket Ruam Phaet, Phuket Road, 212-950, 211578
Sirirrot Krabi Road, Tel: 212853

Tourist Information

The Tourism Authority of Thailand office on Phuket Road (Tel: 212-213 and 211-036) is open seven days a week from 8.30 AM. to 4.30 PM. to provide information on any aspect of tourism in Thailand

Useful Telephone Numbers

Emergency calls/191
Police/212115,
Fire Brigade/211-111
Ambulance/212-297
Tourism Authority of Thailand/212-213, 211036
Tourist Police/212-213, 212468
Thai International (Domestic flights) 211-195, 212946
(International flights) 212-400, 212-855
Phuket Airport/311511-5
Post Office/211-020
Phone Directory Assistance/13
Immigration/212108
Overseas Phone Service/100

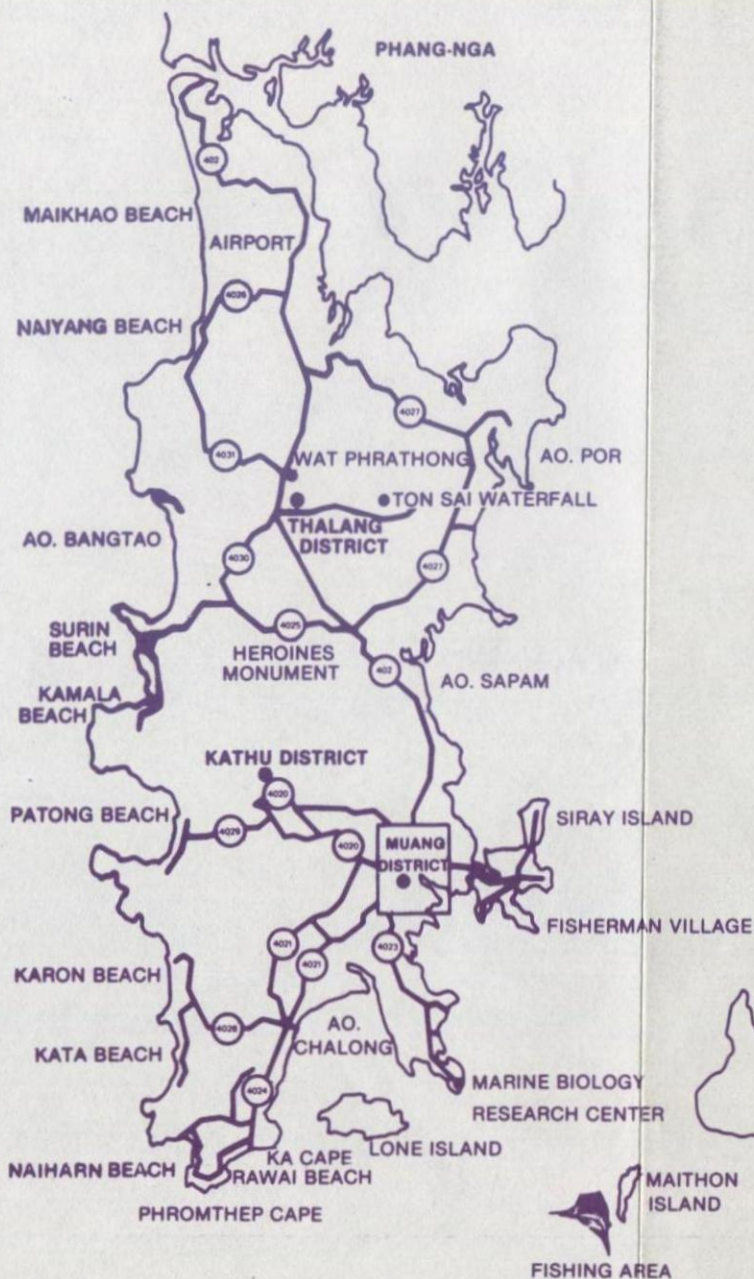
TO GOLF COURSE
TO KAMALA BEACH
TO SINGH CAPE
TO PHANG-NGA

TO CHALONG BAY
TO RAWAI BEACH
TO KATA BEACH
TO NAI HARN BEACH
TO KA CAPE
TO PHROMTHEP CAPE

MAP OF PHUKET TOWN

2. Tourism Authority of Thailand Tel. 212273
3. Bus Terminal Tel. 211480
3. Thai Airways International Co., Ltd.
Tel. 211196
4. Immigration Office Tel. 212108
5. Post and Telegraph Office Tel. 210220
6. Phuket Provincial Police Station Tel. 212115
7. Public Telephone Center
and Telecommunication Center Tel. 211199
8. Tourist Police Office Tel. 212213
9. Wachua Hospital Tel. 211114
10. Public Library
11. Market & Local Bus Station
12. Town Hall Tel. 211366
13. Siam Hospital Tel. 211173
14. Siam Hospital Tel. 215666
15. Phuket Ruum Paet Hospital Tel. 216179
16. Asia Bank Tel. 211566
17. Bangkok Metropolitan Bank Tel. 212993
18. Siam Commercial Bank Tel. 212254
(Kasornchai)
19. The Farmer Bank Tel. 212061
20. Aduayahu Bank Tel. 212662
21. Larnae Thong Bank Tel. 212540
22. Government Saving Bank Tel. 211118
23. United Bank Tel. 211501
24. The Siam City Bank Tel. 212077, 213555
25. Bangkok Bank of Commerce Tel. 212073
26. Bangkok Bank Tel. 211292, 216774
27. Bangkok Bank 1st Tel. 211118
28. Krungsri Thai Bank 9 Tel. 212397
29. Military Bank Tel. 212123

MAP OF PHUKET



DISTANCE

MUANG - KATHU	8 Kms.
- SIRAY ISLAND	4 Kms.
- AO. CHALONG	11 Kms.
- MAI KHAO BEACH	34 Kms.
- SURIN BEACH	24 Kms.
- KAMALA BEACH	26 Kms.
- KARON BEACH	20 Kms.
- RAWAI BEACH	17 Kms.
- KA CAPE	17 Kms.
- THALANG	19 Kms.
- AIRPORT	31 Kms.
- AO. SAPAM	8 Kms.
- AO. POR	26 Kms.
- NAI YANG BEACH	30 Kms.
- PATONG BEACH	20 Kms.
- KATA BEACH	17 Kms.
- NAIHARN BEACH	18 Kms.
- PHROMTHER CAPE	19 Kms.
- MARINE BIOLOGY RESEARCH CENTER	10 Kms.
AO. CHALONG - MAI THON ISLAND	15.5 Kms.
- LONE ISLAND	3.6 Kms.
- PHI PHI ISLANDS	40 Kms.